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A.—(*a*), (*c*) & (*d*) The question is under consideration.

(*b*) No.

Public Health

Prevalence of plague in Hosur and Krishnagiri taluks.

* 1719 Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of attacks and deaths from plague in each village annually from 1920 in Krishnagiri and Hosur taluks of the Salem district;

(*b*) in what part of the year the epidemic generally visits the above-mentioned places and in what month the epidemic is on the increase;

(*c*) what attempts have been made by the Government every year to counteract the spreading and recurrence of this epidemic; and

(*d*) what amount has been spent by the Government in the matter of improvement of sanitation and the employment of special additional medical staff, and whether the Government have made any investigation into the ways of permanently ridding the taluks of this epidemic?

A.—(*a*), (*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The Government have no information.

Revenue aspect of the Mahanandi water-supply scheme.

* 1720 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state in relation to the proposed Mahanandi water scheme to the Nandyal Municipality—

(*a*) whether he has received the cultivation and Revenue figures for the last ten years; and

(*b*) if so, what they are?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No.

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao:—"May I ask whether the hon. Minister will communicate the figures to the Members of the House after they are received?"

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"The Government will consider that suggestion after the information is received."

Supply of drinking water for Salem town.

* 1721 Q.—Subadar-Major S. A. Nanjappah Bahadur: Will the hon the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he is aware that the town of Salem is suffering very badly for want of drinking water;

(*b*) whether cholera epidemic is prevailing in Salem town and in the neighbouring villages;

(*c*) whether Panamarathupatti tank is completely dried up;

(*d*) the number of times the Panamarathupatti tank which was supplying water for Salem town dried up since its construction; and

(*e*) what steps the Government propose to take to solve the difficulty?